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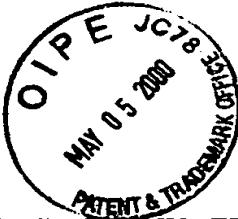
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Title: DIELECTRICALLY SEPARATED WAFER AND METHOD OF
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May 5, 2000

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Sir:

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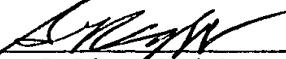
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Consideration of the foregoing and enclosures plus the return of a copy of the herewith Form PTO-1449 with the Examiner's initials in the left column per MPEP 609 along with an early Action on the merits of this application are earnestly solicited.

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